

# Rotary District 6000 Board Minutes

May 11, 2023, District Office, Pella

In attendance: DG Steve Wieneke; PDG Alka Khanolkar (on zoom); PDG Steve Dakin; PDG Erna Morain; PDG Tom Narak; DGE Dennis Drager; DGN Dave Cook; DGND Norlan Hinke; Shawn Mullen; John Schroeder; Susan Davis; Bill Tubbs, Ex-Officio (on zoom); Carolyn Scharff, District Administrator, Ex-Officio

Guests: Matt Corwin, Tim Trudeau, Incoming members Bill Bruce; Megan Franklin (on zoom); Marie Pipes

Chair DG Steve W called the **meeting to order** at 11:05 a.m.

PDG Erna moved approval of the **Agenda**, seconded by DGE Dennis-Motion approved.

PDG Steve D verified a **quorum** in attendance.

Susan moved approval of the **Minutes** from February 9, 2023 meeting, seconded by DGN Dave-Motion Approved.

## **Budget and Finance Committee Report:** PDG Erna Morain

\*Financials will be filed.

\*DGND Norlan moved that 2 physical signatures would not be required for each check written by the Treasurer. Approval would be received from the DG electronically, other than checks written to the DG. Checks made out to the DG would be approved electronically by the chair of the B&F Committee. Motion seconded by Susan-Motion Approved.

\*DGE Dennis moved that all Xicotepec's funding will be separate (similar to RYLA). Motion seconded by PDG Erna-Motion Approved.

\*DGND Norlan moved that another checking account would be opened in Pella or wherever the District Administrator is located. Motion seconded by PDG Erna. Discussion followed: this would be for deposits; no one else would be approved to write checks on this account except those already receiving approval-Motion Approved

## **District Action Team Reports:** DG Steve Wieneke

\*Emailed to Board members

\*H.E.F.-developing guidelines for distributing funds

\*Membership (DGN Dave): Currently down 32 members; 13 clubs are seeing double-digit growth; 10 clubs are down more than 10%; 34% of our members are women; 35% have not a single member below the age of 40. Total membership=3,169, does not include Rotaractors. Questions from smaller clubs were received about how to diversify. Megan mentioned economic development partnering with Rotary for community growth.

\*Rotaract: 2 active clubs=14 members at Simpson; 8 members at U of Iowa; DG Steve will help report current members to RI. Preliminary work is being done to start a Rotaract Club at ISU.

\*D.E.I.: our District was one of few who did anything in the area of D.E.I. in our Zone

**District Governor Report:** DG Steve Wieneke

\*District Conference Attendance: 460=100 at Carroll, 191 at Coralville, and 169 at West Des Moines; more first-timers; highest # of Guardian of Integrity awards presented; strong club leader is strategic. Winner of \$200 incentive bonus, the top clubs were: Iowa City AM 50%, Boone 43%, East Polk County 43%, Greater Des Moines 42%. The individual winner will be drawn from Iowa City AM club.

\*Flight to End Polio: grounded in New Hampshire with repairs. Continued support requested.

\*Newsletter-Bill Tubbs-Clubs and Teams are asked to send reports to Bill by May 22. District 6000 was well represented at the Arch Klumpf Society induction March 31-April 1 in Evanston.

\*Rotary Leadership Institute: 31 people present; 10 Rotarians facilitating or administration; Future meetings: Oct 14 at Mt. Pleasant and April 13, 2024 at Grace Church in Boone

**District Governor Elect Report:** Dennis Drager

\*Gavel Passing will be June 25 in Marshalltown; 2-4 p.m. Invitations will be emailed.

\*Thank you to new Board members in attendance today.

\*Working on DG's schedule of club visits for 2023-2024

**District Governor Nominee Report:** Dave Cook

\*First draft created for his DG visitation schedule for 2024-2025 Rotary year. Complex.

\*Will be proposing to increase number of AGs

\*Will be building on President-Elect education (P.E.T.S.). Prefers to hold it in person.

\*Location for District Conference for 2024-25 is selected, more later.

District Community Service Grants Team will meet on Saturday, June 24 at the Pella District Office (10:00-noon). Team (18 members) will individually score each application; and be scored through ClubRunner.

In the interest of time DG Steve W. moved that Old Business and New Business be tabled, seconded by Dennis-Motion Approved.

\*Electronic voting by "replying all" will be held after documents are distributed to BoD members

DGE Dennis Drager announced that the Mental Health initiative has been approved. Looking for more team members.

DG Steve recognized service to the Board by PDG Tom Narak, John Schroeder, Shawn Mullen, and Susan Davis. He shared his appreciation for all Board members serving this year.

Adjournment at 11:58 a.m.